

**THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD**

In the Matter of:

Sidamo Coffee & Tea, Inc.
t/a Sidamo Coffee & Tea

Holder of a
Retailer's Class CR License

at premises
417 H Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20002

License No.: ABRA-109491
Order No.: 2019-659

BEFORE: Donovan Anderson, Chairperson
James Short, Member
Bobby Cato, Member
Rema Wahabzadah, Member
Rafi Crockett, Member

**ORDER GRANTING THE PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR REINSTATEMENT
OF CANCELLED LICENSE**

On May 15, 2019, the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (Board) issued Board Order No. 2019-419 cancelling Sidamo Coffee & Tea, Inc., t/a Sidamo Coffee & Tea, License No. ABRA-109491. The Board cancelled the license because Sidamo Coffee & Tea, Inc. failed to renew its license by March 31, 2019, the deadline for all Retailer's Class CR licenses to renew, despite being notified of the renewal date. *See* Board Order No. 2019-419.

On August 16, 2019, Kenfe Belay (Petitioner), sought reinstatement of the Retailer's Class CR License No. ABRA-109491. In support of his request for reinstatement, Mr. Belay stated that he was unable to renew his license because his wife who normally handled the business operations was no longer assisting him. In addition, Mr. Belay stated that he was not making enough profit to renew the license. The Board denied reinstatement for lacking good cause.

On reconsideration, Petitioner indicated that he also suffered a medical condition that interfered with his renewal, which the Board credits. Nevertheless, the Board denies the request for a waiver of late fees, as the Petitioner is responsible for ensuring that third parties

administering the license do so in an appropriate and timely fashion, regardless of any extenuating circumstances.

ORDER

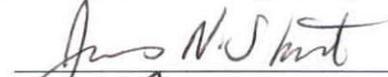
For these reasons, the Board, on this 25th day of September 2019, **APPROVES** the reinstatement of Petitioner's license on the condition that all legal requirements of renewal be met and all owed fees are paid.

Copies of this Order shall be sent to the Petitioner.

District of Columbia
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board



Donovan Anderson, Chairperson

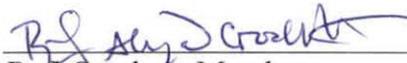


James Short, Member



Bobby Cato, Member

Rema Wahabzadah, Member



Rafi Crockett, Member

Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-433(d)(1), any party adversely affected may file a Motion for Reconsideration of this decision within ten (10) days of service of this Order with the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, 2000 14th Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, DC 20009.

Also, pursuant to section 11 of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, Pub. L. 90-614, 82 Stat. 1209, D.C. Official Code §2-510 (2001), and Rule 15 of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, any party adversely affected has the right to appeal this Order by filing a petition for review, within thirty (30) days of the date of service of this Order, with the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, 430 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001; (202/879-1010). However, the timely filing of a Motion for Reconsideration pursuant to 23 DCMR §1719.1 (2008) stays the time for filing a petition for review in the District of Columbia Court of Appeals until the Board rules on the motion. See D.C. App. Rule 15(b) (2004).